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CURRENT COMMENT.

President Castro has assumed the personal command of his army. It is gratifying to note that he got through an exhibition drill last week without tripping on his saber.

Congressman Beidler, of Cleveland, owns mines in the Massillon district from which about 750,000 tons of coal is being taken annually, but he is unable to obtain fuel for his home in Washington.

Literary people of Boston are agi tating for the setting up in Boston of a tablet in honor of Edgar Allen Poe. Poe was born there in 1809, his mother being a leading woman at the Haymarket theater.

Uncle Sam and a private shipyard are to run a race on building battleships. Uncle Sam ought to win if his employes can be stopped from leaning back in their chair and paring their fingernails every half hour.

The Japanese face is commonly thought expressionless by western nations. The reason is that it is always seen in repose. That is part of Japanese education. It is, with them, a mark of the underbred to permit their faces to express any feeling in

Among the heroines of the day is a rich woman in a Connecticut town who, on being told that 35 tons of coal would be required for her conservatories during the winter, ordered her supply to be taken care of for the use of the poor, and let her choice flowers and fruits be sacrificed.

How much American capital has done in the development of Mexico is shown in a statement by the United States consul general at the capital of that republic, who estimates that \$500,000,000 gold is the amount of American capital invested in Mexico. The development of the railroad sys tems has been to a large extent done with American capital, which represents about 70 per cent, of the total investments in railroads.

James J. Hill is quoted as saying that he will soon give up active work and give way to a younger man, "The young man is king of the day," said Mr. Hill. "He is pushing aside the old men. New ideas, daring, ability to grasp a situation and act on it, make him a power that's reckoned with. I am going to get out of his way before he pushes me. The young man of the proper make-up can put himself in any position he wants."

Leslic's Weekly commends Gov, Odell for relieving the people of New York from direct taxation by raising all needed state revenue from taxes levied on the franchises of public utility corporations and follows up its enlogy of the governor by urging that he recommend in his forthcoming message to the New York legislature a higher excise tax on liquor dealers, the proceeds to be set apart for the projected enlargement of the

The rapid rise of James A. Hemenway, of Indiana, who is to succeed "Uncle Joe" Cannon as chairman of the appropriations committee, ought to be a great encouragement to the much-abused sewingmachine agents of the country. It has not been very many years since Mr. Hemonway was peddling sewingmachines in southern Indiana. He is familiar with all the country roads in that section of the Hoosier state, for he has driven them day and night in search of housewives who were not supplied with sewing-

The Pennsylvania railroad tunnel into New York city, which is to cost \$50,000,000, will be 12 miles long and will extend from Hoboken to Long Island City. It will pass under the Hudson and East rivers, and Manhattan island. The tunnels will be 18 feet 6 inches in diameter inside, and each will contain one track. They will have a depth of 37 feet under the Hudson and 35 feet under the East river. Electric motors will be used for the hauling of trains. Work must begin within three months and end within five years.

According to Rev. Russell H. Conwell, D. D., pastor of the Baptist temple in Philadelphia, the fact that the number of marriage licenses issued during the last year in that city were fewer than in the previous year by 2,000 is due to the increasing number of young women who have acquired a business college education, and are, therefore, fully equipped to earn a comfortable livelihood. Leaders of society agree with Dr. Conwell that the decrease in the number of marriages has been confined to the industrial classes.

Probably every lover of Alexander Dumas' "Monte Christo" has wondered at one time or another why the high-sounding title conferred by the author on his sailor hero has never been assumed by present-day noble-man or millionaire. So it is interesting to hear that no less a person than the king of Italy is now actually "Count of Monte Cristo." The island "Count of Monte Cristo." The island belongs to Italy. The inhabitants of the island number exactly 11—4 men. 4 women and three children. They decline to speak of their lord as "the king," but as "our count."

THE LACLEDE BLADE. COLOMBIA TOO SLOW

Canal Question Dragging Along to an Exaspetaring Degree.

United States Cannot Afford to Dicker with the Precarious Government, Says Sen-ator Morgan, and He Will Demand Negosiations with Nicaragna. Washington, Dec. 31.-Senator Morgan, of Alabama, will introduce a

resolution in the senate January 5 calling upon President Roosevelt to open negotiations with Nicaragua and Costa Rica for the construction of an isthmian canal by the Nicaragua route. Senator Morgan takes the po-sition that the "reasonable time" allowed in the Spooner act for negotiating a treaty with Colombia has already expired. He believes that any further dickering with the doubtful and precarious government of Colombia will either mean absolute failure or indefinite postponement of the construction of the canal. Mr. Morgan will urge that it is time for the administration to adopt the alternative proposition, offered in the Spooner bill, and complete the arrangement with Costa Rica and Nicaragua, by

struction commenced at once. It is pointed out by Senator Morgan that no session of the Colombian congress has been held since 1899, and none will meet until March, after the adjournment of the United States congress. He calls attention to the recent developments in Colombia, and insists that it is by no means certain that favorable action upon the treaty will be taken by the Colombian congress when it does meet. He believes that the existing conditions threaten the loss of the canal.

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can be built and the work of con-

MORE THAN LAST YEAR.

Despite Alleged Restrictive Measures Immigration to This Country Is Rapldly on the Increase.

New York, Dec. 31 .- Although the mmigration of this port for the last half of the current year has not been as large as that of the first six months there was a heavy increase in the total immigration as compared with the previous calendar year. The total number of immigrants that arrived at New York and who were admitted in 1892, up to and including December 29, was 545,751, as compared with 417,713 in 1901, a gain this year of 128,038. The month of May showed the largest immigration, the number of arrivals in that month being 82,154. Italy and Austria-Hungary contributed the largest proportion of the year's immigration. The number of arrivals from Italy was larger than from any other country. The influx from Russia, Germany, Norway and Sweden, Greece and the United Kingdom was also very heavy.

OSSIFIED WOMAN DEAD.

Miss Stells Ewing, of Rome, N. Y., Turned to Bone 14 Years Ago-A Sister Similarly Afflicted.

Rome, N. Y., Dec. 31.-Miss Stella Ewing, one of the ossified women who for ten years have been living wonders to physicians and scientists, died to-day, aged 39 years. At an early age she was afflicted with insicions failed to relieve. At the age of 25 she lost the use of her limbs, crease of about \$18,000,000. and eminent specialists said she was gradually turning to bone. During the last ten years of her life. Miss Ewing was totally blind and unable to move a muscle, A sister, Mrs. Emma Ewing l'almer, is afflicted in the same

Favor Simplified Spelling.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31 .- The Illinois Teachers' association, in annual convention here, adopted resolutions favoring the amelioration of spelling to conform with the simplified spelling as adopted by the National Education association.

World's Smal est Women Dead.

Begumont, Tex., Dec. 31.-Fatina Hpoo, who was on exhibition here as the smallest person in the world, died suddenly after vesterday's performance. She was 22 years old, weighed 15 pounds and stood 28 inches high.

Hemeslek, the Killed Herself.

Slater. Mo., Dec. 31 .- Mrs. L. H. Gilliam, a bride of two months, committed suicide here because of home sickness, her husband being out of town much of the time on business.

Additions to Cudahy Buildings.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 31,-The Cudaby packing company will begin the crection of two new buildings at its plant in Armourdale, the cost of which will be \$70,000.

Parsons Man Was Exper menting. Parsons, Kan., Dec. 31.-Prof. E. M. Rugby, while experimenting with a new stereoptican lantern, was horribly, and perhaps fatally, burned by

its exploding To lovade Southern Territory

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 31.-It is un derstood the Methodist Episcopal church, north, is planning to estabish a college in this city. Morcan Denies It.

New York, Dec. 31 .- J. P. Morgan &

Co. denied that it was intended to consolidate the Erie, Lehigh Valley

and Reading railroads. Mr. Morgan said: "There is not the slightest reason for such a story. It is altogether without foundation." Through Train Service. Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 31.-General At-

orney Peckham, of the 'Frisco lines in Oklahoma, announces that through trains will be established on the newy constructed road from Blackwell. Ok., to Vernon, Tex., on January 1.

Attacked Educational "Fada." St. Louis, Dec. 31 .- Over 300 dele gates are attending the Missouri Negro Teachers' association here. A paper by Prof. A. O. Coffin, of Kansas City, on "Waste in Education." attacked the so-called fads of the day in modern methods of teaching.

Home for Consumptives Springfield, Ill., Dec. 31.-Dr. Egan, of the state board of health, in his nnual report to Gov. Yates suggests that the state legislature be asked for an appropriation to erect a state some for consumptives.

WANTED TO LYNCH HIM. Murder of a Nogro by an Officer of an American Brig.

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 1.-Excitement prevalls at Savanna La Mar, on the southwest coast of this island caused by the shooting there of the Jamaican negro second mate of the American brig, Sunlight, by the first officer of that vessel, H. G. Gardner, of Maine. The trouble arose on board the Sunlight over the color question, and the crew left her and refused to return on board. During the disturbance, Gardner fired at the second mate and probably fatally wounded him. A strong force of police was sent on board the brig to arrest Gardner, and it was with difficulty that he was overpowered and taken to jail. The police were compelled to guard the building in order to prevent native mobs from attack: ing it. The Sunlight was loading logwood for Boston.

SO THE WORLD COULD KNOW. Signals Sent Out from Washington at Four Hourly Periods G ving Exact Time

of Death of Old Year. Washington, Jan. 1 .- A special series of time signals, on the same plan as the signals sent out daily at noon, were transmitted from the United States naval observatory here over the lines of the Western Union Telegraph company at midnight, and again at 1, 2 and 3 a. m., as an exact midnight signal to the eastern, central, mountain and Pacific coast sections, for the benefit of those interested in all parts of the country in knowing the exact instant of the beginning of the new year.

Risked Her Life for Baby. Emporia, Kan., Jan. 1,-At the home of Herbert Levett an upset

lamp caused an explosion which resulted almost fatally for Mrs. Levett. In trying to prevent the flames setting fire to the eradle which held her six-months'-old child, Mrs. Levett's clothing caught fire and she was perhaps fatally burned. She put out the fire, however, and her child was uninjured.

Dreyer Enters Prison at Last. Chicago, Jan. 1.-Edward S. Dreyer, former banker and treasurer of

the West Park board, was taken to loliet to-day to begin a long-delayed entence for withholding \$316,000 of park funds. Nearly four years have passed since Drever's conviction, during which time he has been incarcerated in the county jail awaiting the results of efforts toward his release Kahn Decides to Contest.

San Francisco, Jan. 1 .- Congress man Julius Kahn (rep.), defeated for re-election in the Fourth district by E. J. Livernash, will contest. The official count gave Livernash a majority of 141, but a decision by Superior Judge Hubbard, in the contest for superi-tendent of schools, throws out so many votes that a partial recount gives Kahn a plurality of 124.

Increase of Merchandles Imports Washington, Jan. 1 .- Customs figares for the calendar year show imports of gold and silver of \$10,508,357, against \$19,367,785 last year. Merchandise imports aggregated \$583,-621,495, as against \$55,020,575 last Sammatory rheumatism, which phy- year. Duties collected for merchandise amounted to \$179,054,304, an in-

Aurora, Mo., Jan. 1.-The post of-

fice at Orange was robbed last night. Sixty dollars in postage stamps and \$40 in eash were taken. The safe was blown to atoms. The post office is in a country store. Pieces of the safe did much damage to the merchandise one piece being blown through an oil tank, which flooded the floor. Claims Aggregated \$4,000,000

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 1 .- W. E. Bain bridge, second secretary of the American legation at Pekin, was here Wednesday, en route to Washington. Bainbridge was appointed commissioner to investigate claims of American arising from the boxer rebellion and \$4,000,000 of these claims came before him.

Probably the Same Gang.

Pecria, Ill., Jan. 1 .- Bank robbers. presumably the same gang which has been operating extensively throughout central Illinois, made an effort to rob the Auten bank at Princeville. They entered the bank through a window. They were probably frightened away, as their tools were found.

Fresh Water for Discorded Transports. San Francisco, Jan. 1 .- The transport Warren is expected to arrive Friday from Scattle. She will be laid up with the other discarded troopships and all of the idle transports, except the Kilpatrick, will go up the Sacramento river to lie in fresh

Mrs. Dockery's Condition Alarmine Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 1.-Mrs. Dockery, wife of the governor, is still dangerously ill. The heart action is very weak. The bronchial tubes are inflamed, which adds to the alarming nature of the symp-

Chapman Killed Two of H.s Wives London, Jan. 1.-George Chapman. whose preliminary trial is still going on at a police court here, was Wednesday arraigned on additional charges of murdering his first and second wives, the autopsy on whose exhumed remains indicated that they had been poisoned. Chapman came to London from America in 1893.

Borra Co to F ght for Britain. Cape Town, Jan. 1 .- A detachmen of 100 Boers who have volunteered

for military service in Somaliland, sails from here next week.

_____ FROM THE FATHERLAND.

The prisons of Prussia in 1900 har bored 45,824 males and 11,845 females. Bavaria has a special Horse Insurance association, under government control. It paid out last year \$146,000 to members.

Imperial statistics for 1900 show hat Germany had 34,389,926 acres of wood; in 1883 there were 34,353,748 neres, and in 1893 34,473,296 acres. The figures for 1900 thus show an increase, as compared with 1883, of \$16,718 acres.

THE DOUBTFUL HOGG

Famous Texan Ridicules Scheme to Deport Negroes.

here Are 10,000,000 Blacks in This Co try, and 50 Transports Could Not in a Year Carry Away the Natural Increase of the Race.

Gov. Hogg says Senator Morgan's plan of colonizing the negroes in the Philippines is "all a dream and nothing more." In discussing the matter the ex-governor said: "Why, do you know what his project really involves? The negro race is increasing at the rate of 750,000 a year, at least in the United States, and there are nearly 10,000,000 of them now living. If the government should undertake to send them to the Philippines it would require a tremendous fleet of transports, take two months for one transport to make the round trip and the greatest number of passengers each trip would be 2,000, which means 12,000 a year. Fifty transports would carry 600,000 persons over in one year if the conditions were perfect and the transports provided. Now, where would the government get 50 ships? Supposing that could be done, it would not dispose of the natural increase of the proposition is ridiculous on the

"INSURGENTS" ARE ACTIVE. Senators Who Oppose Cuban Reciprocit Strong Enough to Cause the Admin-

istration Much Concern. Washington, Dec. 30 .- Considerable opposition is developing to the ratification of the Cuban reciprocity treaty now pending in the senate. It in substance to give concern to the yards. friends of the treaty.

Cuba Is Also Anxious. Havana, Dec. 30 .- After a lengthy conference between President Palma he members of the cabinet and leading senators, it has been decided not to call an extra session of the senate to discuss the reciproctly treaty with the United States. President Palma is anxious to bring the discussion of this measure to an immediate conclusion and has urged the senate to resume its session January 5 in stead of waiting until January 12 Senator Capote, chairman of the foreign relations committee, said it was impossible to resume before the 12th, as the committee would not be ready to report on the 5th.

SULTAN'S THRONE TOTTERS. Ru'er of Morocco Chased Inside the Gates

of Fez by Rebels-Spain Will Send Troops. Tangier, Morocco, Dec. 30,-The sul-

tan of Morocco is said to have retired to the palace at Fez with all his available artillery and ammunition and tc consequence of a threatened attack their capture. on the part of the rebels.

Spain Taking a Hand. Madrid Dec. 30.—The Spanish gov-ernment is preparing for eventualities in Morocco, and has ordered troops at Malaga, Cadiz and Algeciras to be held in readiness to promptly reinlilla, Morocco, should the situation reuire it. A Spanish cruiser has been ordered to Tangier. According to dispatches received here from Tangier, the rebels chased the troops of the sultan to the gates of Fez. It is reported that the Europeans are preparing to leave Fez.

Coombs Received Instructions.

Washington, Dec. 30 .- Hon. Leslie Coombs, of Kentucky, recently appointed United States minister to Guatemala in succession to Godfrey Hunter, has had an interview with the president. Minister Coombs expects to leave in a few days for Guatemala.

Funston's Spy Convicted of Murder. Manila, Dec. 30.-Placido, who was Gen. Funston's trusted spy, and who acted as commander of the supposed insurgents at the capture of Aguinaldo, has been convicted of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment by a native judge.

Shot by Footpads Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 30,-Because he ran when told to throw up his hands, W. H. Wells, a fruit commis sion broker, was shot and danger ously wounded by two highwaymer here last night. The men escaped.

Prince Henry Coming Again. Berlin, Dec. 30 .- The papers here say Prince Henry of Prussia is going to the United States in 1904 to visit the St. Louis exposition and unveil the Veterans' monument in Philadel-

All Headed for Oklahoma. Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 30 .- It is report ed from Shawnee, Ok., that the Missouri Pacific has-offered to construct a line to that city from Clarence, Ok., a distance of 80 miles, a direction not traversed by other roads.

Admiral Glass Appointed. Washington, Dec. 30.-Formal orders were issued yesterday by the navy department detailing Rear Admiral Glass as commander-in-chief of the Pacific coast station. He will succeed Rear Admiral Casey, who has been placed on waiting orders.

Consul Smith Improving. Washington, Dec. 30 .- The state department has received a report from Cairo that Vice Consul General Hub bard T. Smith, who has been very ill with acute Bright's disease, is im-

proving.

McKibben Left St. Joseph St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 30.-B. E. Me-Kibben, who has been manager of the St. Joseph baseball team for three years, has signed to manage the Tacoma, Wash, team on the Pa cific Northwest league next season. No successor has been selected.

Missouri Pacific Also to the Field. Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 30 .- It is reported from Shawnee that the Missouri Pacific has offered to construct a line to that city from Claremore, L. T., a distance of 80 miles, a direc-tion not traversed by other roads.

THE FRISCO'S BIG DEAL.

Twenty Squares of Ground in the Heart of New Orleans Secured for Terminals-Other Property Bought.

New Orleans, Dec. 31 .- President Yoakum and Vice President Winchell, of the Frisco, are in the city. It is expected that an official announce ment soon will be made that the Frisco will enter New Orleans, coming down through Arkansas and Louisi Houston, Tex., Dec. 30 .- Former ana via Alexandria, and confirming the reported purchase of the big Port Chalmette terminals on the river front by the Frisco, as well as the other property and rights-of-way of the New Orleans Belt & Terminal company, and the Carondelet Canal & of ground in the heart of the city, hereon its terminals will be built.

LOSE FAITH IN CHURCH.

Filipino Catholics Look Upon the Pope a Rome Dispatch Says.

Rome, Dec. 31.-Cardinal Guidi, the can that coercive measures fail to until the spring, when they came movement in the Filipino Catholic church. The natives look upon the vatican as inferior to the United appeared to me that all grasses, wild States and wish to establish a na- and cultivated, grow to perfection the negroes, and there you are. Why, tional independent church. Pope Leo in any part of Alberta that I saw, gave instructions to Guidi to seek the and the farmers were cutting from support of Aguinaldo, but that patriot is an anti-papalist and refuses co-operation.

To Fight the Packers?

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 31.-Thirty five acres of land on the Kaw river near the stock yards have been sold for \$135,000. It is said the real purchaser is the Kansas City Stock Vards company, and that a rival packingis not taking quite the form that the house will be built, in retaliation for opposition to the Cuban legislation the purchase of land by the big packtook last spring, but it is sufficient ers in Clay county for a new stock

Expert Woman Thief Arrested.

Kansas City, Kan., Dec. 31.-Robberies of a sensational character have been reported to the police of Topeka, Leavenworth and this city, and the police have in custody here Mrs. Maud Speers, who has confessed. She would hire as a domestic in a wealthy family, and after a few days disappear with all the jewelry and silverware in the house.

Snow-lides Playing Havor

Everett, Wash., Dec. 31 .- A 100-foot bridge at Madison on the Great Northern, taken out by a snowslide last Thursday night and upon which 265 men have been working night and day rebuilding, was completed yesterday. Last evening another tremendous slide bore down the ravine, buildings and cattle, and expects to ripping the structure entirely out.

Captors of Humberts Get \$8,000. Paris, Dec. 31.-The Humberts continue to absorb attention here. Minister of Justice Walle has given \$3,000 to the Spanish police for assisting in the arrest of the principals in the famous safe frauds. This is additionhave strongly barricaded himself it al to the \$5,000 reward offered for

Two Okishomans in a Dust.

Hobart, Ck., Dec. 31 .- As a result of a quarrel between Albert McLean and William Wolfe, attaches of the Phoenix theater here, they fought a duel with revolvers and both were force the garrisons at Ceuta and Me- shot. Wolfe's wounds resulted in his death but McLean will recover.

Gamblers Again Ratifed.

Chickasha, I. T., Dec. 31.-United States Marshal Madson headed another raid on the gamblers here yesterday, when a joint was raided and All that is required in the settler a large amount of gambling paraphernalia broken up and piled in the hard work. I will guarantee the street and burned.

Young G ri a Spendthrift Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 31 .- In probate court here Miss Hattle Watt, aged 19, of Normal, who recently inherited \$10,000, was declared a spendthrift and the court appointed a conservator who will have entire control of her fortune until she is 21.

Lee Declares for Rubey.

St. Louis, Dec. 31.-Lieut. Gov. John A. Lee has declared for Thomas L. Rubey, of La Plata, for president pro tem, of the state senate and against Frank H. Harris. Lee will use committee appointments to help Rubey's election.

Saloonkeeper Turns Evangelist.

Kingfisher, Ok., Dec. 31.-Fred Brocktman, until lately a saloonkeep er, was converted at a revival meet ing and has now started out as or evangelist and is holding meetings. especially for his former customers.

Cholera Killing 50 a Day.

Manila, Dec. 31.-Moros on the is land of Mindanao report that cholers is depopulating the villages on the east side of Lake Lanao. At Macly there is an average of 50 deaths a

Mrs McKinley's Niece Married Canton, O., Dec. 31 .- At six o'clock this evening Miss Mary Barber, niece of Mrs. William McKinley, was married to Ralph Hartzell, a young attor

ney of Denver, Col. Mrs. McKinley

was one of the guests.

OF GENERAL INTEREST. Twenty-three thousand tables cov ered with hieroglyphics have been brought from Nippur, in Mesopota-

mia, by Prof. Hilprecht. The water power available on the Pacific slope for producing electric energy is equivalent to the combustion of 300,000,000 tons of coal a year.

In 1880 the value of farm products of the south exceeded that of manufactured products by more than \$200,-000,000, while in 1900 manufactures I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills, exceeded farm products by more than \$190,000,000, though during that period the number of persons engaged

is said to have been almost ruined by the output of the American Diamond Match company's new factories near Mannheim. Six months ago matches

A FINE COUNTRY.

Besident of Ohio Says Western Can ada le an Ideal Land for Farmers and Ranchers.

A delegate from Ohio to Western Canada says: "The whole of Western Canada seemed to me to be a very fine country, but I spent most of my time about thirty miles east of Lacombe, in Alberta, near what is popularly known as the coal banks on the Red Deer River, and I am very pleased to report that the country appears to be everything that the Agents of the Canadian Government have claimed for it. Good water can be obtained almost anywhere from Navigation company. The Frisco is 17 to 40 feet, and fed generally by credited with purchasing 20 squares springs. The natural hay and grass were magnificent in their growth and wild pea vines very heavy. I met some of my friends who moved there seven years ago and two brothers who had absolutely nothing on their irrival seven years before now own two and a half sections of land and 175 head of cattle. They told me that they did not feed their stock all winpapal delegate, reports to the vati- ter, in fact, never saw them again check the ever-growing dissident home fat and without loss. I gathered oats 6 ft. 4 high and running from 75 to 100 bushels per acre. It two to three tons of wild hay to the acre. I found the climate very desirable in every respect, and I am told that the winter is the finest part of the year. There is plenty of coal and wood to be had near at hand for the bauling, and such is my satisfaction with the country that I acquired some land and have put a bunch of tattle thereon. I can confidently recommend Western Canada as a suitable place for farmers to immigrate to, and can assure them the kindest treatment by the people there, so much so that one does not distinguish the fact that we have left the boundaries of the United States."

> Hugh Spender, of the !Vestminster Gazette, one of the British Journal ists who visited Canada this summer (1902), says: "We fell in with young farmer from Somersetshire. England, driving a binder round s hundred acre field of wheat in West ern Canada. In conversation I found that he came from within fifteer miles of my old home in Somersetshire. Here was the very man we wanted. He had come to Manitobs ten years ago, with a capital of \$13 on landing. In England he had beet employed on a dairy farm, and carned eighteen shillings a week. He nov owns 320 acres of land, his horses have 4.000 bushels of wheat this sea son. We had heard of such thing: in the old land, but they did not seen credible, until we came to this liv ing example of the strides that it is possible to make in Manitoba. Has this man remained in England, it is pretty safe to say he would still b earning no more than eighteen shillings a week, while in the same period in Manitoba he has become substantial and prosperous farmer.

"I know a man who commenced i Assinibola, 15 years ago, with no neans; no capital. To-day this mai owns 7,000 acres of land, some 3t horses, 30 or 40 bullocks, cows, etc He has built a good stone house with is own hands, and has now married and is doing well, with every prospec of increasing his means in the future Western Canada has the most exhil arating, bracing climate I ever knew is perseverance, grit, patience and country, if you will guarantee the man." From letter from a retired officer in the British army.

Instincts of a Great Name.

The Osage Indians have invested \$8,000,000 in the state bank and own 1,500,000 acres of land. Each brave, squaw and papoose in the tribe possesses land to the value of \$4,000, and the interest on their money in the bank affords an annual income of \$300 to each member. That's great. Henceforth better call them the O'Sages.—N. Y. Telegram.

The Newman News reports this of a youngster there: "We had the minister for dinner yesterday," said one. "Shah," replied the other, "we had a 'possum."—Atlanta Constitution.

Accuracy.-Husband-"Didn't I tell you that was a secret, and you were not to tell it to anyone?" Wife—"You told me it was a secret, but you did not say I was not to tell it to anyone."—X. Y. Weckly.

As It Is To-Day,—Manager—"Hittem-hard has challenged you. Can you lick him?" Pugilist—"Sure. Why, say, I could do dat mug if I was tongue-tied."—Detroit Free Press.

Modesty seldom resides in a breast that

RECORD OF THE PAST.

The best guarantee of the future is the record of the past, and over fifty thousand people have publicly testifled that Doan's Kidney Pills have cured them of numerous kidney ills, from common backache to dangerous diabetes, and all the attendant annoyances and suffer ags from urinary disorders. They have been cured to stay cured. Here is one case: Samuel J. Taylor, retired carpenter, residing at 312 South Third St., Gosh-

en. Ind., says: "On the 25th day of

August, 1897, I made an affidavit before Jacob C. Mann, notary public, Doan's stating my experience with Kidney Pills. I had suffered for thirty years and was compelled at times to walk by the aid of crutches, frequently passed gravel and suffered exeruciatingly. I took every medicine on the market that I heard about, and some gave me temporary relief. and the results I gave to the public in the statement above referred to. Germany's match-making industry, that during the five years which have in which about \$9,000,000 is invested, elapsed I have had to At this time, on the 19th day of July, either Donn's Kidney Pills or any other medicine for my kidneys. The cure effected was a permanent one."
A FREE TRIAL of this great Kid-

made in German works were sold at \$20 a case; now they are selling at \$16 a case; now they are selling at \$16 a case, which is a dollar below the cost of production by German machinery. The Diamond Match company uses machinery made in the United States.

A FREE TRIAL of this great Kidney medicine which cured Mr. Taylor will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 states.



Mrs. Emmons, saved from an operation for Ovaritis, tells how she was cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I am so pleased with the results I obtained from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Conpound that I feel it

a duty and a privilege to write you about it. "I suffered for over five years with ovarian troubles, causing an un-pleasant discharge, a great weakness, and at times a faintness would come over me which no amount of medicine, diet, or exercise seemed to correct. Your Vegetable Compound found the weak spot, however, within a few weeks—and saved me from an operation—all my troubles had disappeared, and I found myself once more healthy and well. Words fail to describe the real, true grateful feeling that is in my heart, and I want to tell every sick and suffering sister. Don't dally with medicines you know nothing about, but take Lydia E. Pink-ham's Vegetable Compound, and take my word for it, you will be a different woman in a short time."-MBS. LAURA EMMONS, Walkerville, Ont. — \$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

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The Advice of a Lawyer to His Barber, Who Was Cutting In on Ria Busineas.

A former judge, now practicing law, hecame interested when told by his fa-vorite barber that the latter wanted to study, with a view to admission to the bar, relates the Philadelphia Times. The bar, relates the Philadelphia Times. The lawyer encouraged him in every way possible, lending him books and giving him an informal lesson while being snaved each morning. Soon the barber began putting hypothetical cases to his patron, who gravely, soundly and pains-takingly gave information as to correct procedure. After a time the ex-judge learned that the barber's cases were genuine—that, indeed, the fellow was acting as a cut-rate attorney for his friends, who invariably profited by following his advice. The following morning the barber opened up by putting what he described as an imaginary bit of litigation to the lather-covered lawyer, and then asked:

"Now, judge, what do you advise?" "Let-me-see," replied the lawyer, mus-ingly. Then: "Why. I advise that you come see me at the office, bring me a cer-tified check for \$100 as a fee, and I'll tell you how the case should be handled."



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